

FRIENDSHIP

**I traveled many miles from Scotland
Across the Atlantic Ocean to the USA
So as I stand here before you all
There are some words I would like to say**

**This was my first ever visit to America
And it certainly won't be my last
The people here have been so kind and friendly
Believe me it's been a blast**

**I never really felt homesick
And that's because you all made me feel at home
And with my friends here from around the world
Across Illinois and Michigan we did roam**

**Petosky, Mackinaw Island, Chicago
Lake Michigan, Marshal South Haven and more
I sometimes remembered my mountains and lochs
As I stood pondering by the shore**

**I went fishing with John Danks at Mill Lake
Watched the softball with JR
Many a time dropped off at the shops
By Mary Lloyd in her car**

**Many Americans invited us to their homes
We would talk, drink wine and eat food
That is why I never felt homesick
Inside, my soul felt good**

**I have met and made friends with many people
The politicians could learn from all of you
You should hear the debates we have after school
When we meet up at our Comedy Club HQ**

**I have teased some of the DLIS staff
Miss Eichman, Trudy Charlie and Cathy to name a few
If I didn't like you I wouldn't do it
Guys I have enjoyed my time with you**

**But I have to mention some of the students
I hope in their hearts I am their friend
We have laughed, maybe sometimes cried inside
Let's hope this friendship will never end**

**Esa the joker from Finland
Chicago Detroit, yeah my roommate
Thick as thieves, brothers in arms
That man is a reprobate**

**Juan the man from Mexico
Menyana is the name of the game
Hey amigo we do the laundry tomorrow
I'm Mexican we both think the same**

**TB the intelligence officer from Romania
He has knowledge, humour and made and made me laugh
Jokes about me being stupid when crossing the road
He calls me 006 and a half**

**The Polish team are a great crowd
Bogdan, Yanus, Martin and Magda
But Esa the Baywatch Lifeguard
Wants her to be his Pamela**

**Adam from Czech Republic
With his shades he's like a Mafia Don
I never ever heard Don Corllioni say
Hey Esa, hey Alan COME ON**

**Be it Belgium, Malaysia, Papau New Guinea
Bulgaria, South Korea, Pakistan
I think if we had an election for President
Then Esa would be our man**

**So what did I think of America???
In these 8 weeks what was the best??
Well guys I'm really disappointed
We never found the buffalo nest**

**Come On you guys eat Buffalo wings
You even eat Elephants ears
Esa and I will find the answer
Even if it takes us 100 years**

**Chicago was an amazing city to visit
On the shores of Lake Michigan I stood in awe
But my favourite place I saw on this trip
Was that island called Mackinaw**

**But all good things must come to an end
It is getting near that time to go
When we exchange handshakes and say our farewells
And maybe a tear will flow**

**So thanks for taking us to your hearts
That's all that I have to say
I will never forget all the friends that I met
In this fine country the USA**